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MEMORANDUM FOR: Chief, Administrative Branch, DPD-DB/P

SUBJECT: Functional Statement of Responsibilities  
of Operations Branch

Per your request of 17 November 1959, there follows a functional statement which briefly covers the duties and responsibilities of the Operations Branch and is believed adequate for inclusion in the appropriate CSI covering the Development Projects Division:

#### OPERATIONS BRANCH FUNCTIONS

1. The Operations Branch is responsible for the operational readiness status of Agency Air units and assets to support Agency and Intelligence Community requirements which encompass tactical and strategic air operations and/or support missions.

2. The Operations Branch is directly responsible for:

- a. Continued training of air crews to meet Agency Air requirements.
- b. Deployment of Air assets to provide a world-wide capability.
- c. Planning of all Hqs directed missions. 25 YEAR RE-REVIEW
- d. Approving Field planned missions.
- e. Maintaining mission control of all Hqs directed missions up to execution time.
- f. Notification of interested agencies of mission results.
- g. Where applicable, monitor and/or direct movement of mission take to proper agencies.
- h. Manning and maintaining a control center for monitoring and controlling air operations.
- i. Posting and maintaining the current operational status of Agency air assets.
- j. Provides weather forecasts and climatological studies in support of air missions on a world-wide basis.

3. Establishes and conducts liaison on Agency air matters with the Department of Defense, NSA and other interested agencies.

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4. Establishes operational requirements for aircraft and associated equipment and develops tactics and techniques for clandestine deployment and operation.

5. Provides air operations and air intelligence guidance to Area Divisions.

6. Collects, reviews and distributes data concerning air tactics, techniques and equipment of interest to the Agency.

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